

Coordinator's Report

June 2, 2022



Welcome to Summer & Greetings SRC Members,

I am honored to be the new Coordinator for the State Rehabilitation Council. I can see the great work that Kate LaRose did for this position, and I look forward to providing great service to you all! Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns. Open communication is so important for a healthy, productive group.

My priorities as I start as your coordinator are to work with the Steering Committee to:

- Learn!
- Complete Council Reappointments
- Recruit for Council Openings
- Set up Annual Retreat
- Update and maintain the Website – (I'm waiting for access)
- Get to know Board Members, priorities, and needs
- Develop relationships with/ be part of the board for the VT Coalition on Disability Rights (VCDR) as well as the National Coalition of State Rehabilitative Councils

The status of the SRC membership as of August is as follows:

- Number of members needing reappointment: 8
- Number of members needing to be recruited: 3
- Number leaving Board:2

I am amazed at the commitment of the Council to the good of Vermonters with disabilities. I would like to thank the two members who are leaving the board:

1. **Martha Frank** has been on the board since July of 2015 and has maxed the length of her appointment. She has represented the Parent Training and Information Center requirement for the board. We appreciate all that she has done and the important representation of that group. Thank you, Martha, we hope to get you back soon!
2. **Kristen Carpentier** has been our representative as a Vocational Rehabilitation staff for the past year. This appointment is for one year only and we will miss her too. Thank you for your

representation of an important voice for the council. We appreciate your dedication not only for the council, but for the clients we serve. Thank you, Kristen, keep up the great work!

Please let me know if any ideas, thoughts, constructive criticisms, and compliments! I'm here to help this board be healthy and helpful! I hope you all have a safe restful summer. I'll see you in the fall.

Don't hesitate to call, email, or text if I can help in any way!

Warmly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Janice".

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